

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with utmost respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their daily legislative endeavors in order to recognize those Show-Me State residents who truly embody the concept of Outstanding Missourian through their deeds and achievements; and

Whereas, Takeji Frank Mori of Rolla, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as a Master Sergeant in the United States Army who retired in 1964 after more than twenty-three years of military service; and

Whereas, on April 30, 2008, Takeji Mori will meet with state legislators in the Missouri House of Representatives to receive well-deserved honors and accolades for the exemplary role he has performed in Missouri as a community leader; and

Whereas, Takeji Mori was born on April 2, 1917, into the family of Shinshiro and Maru Mori of Tacoma, Washington; was inducted into the military in July 1941 in Los Angeles, California; and served with the 100th Infantry Battalion of the 442nd Infantry Regiment in Italy during World War II, in Germany during the occupation after the war, and in Korea after the outbreak of hostilities there; and

Whereas, a member of the most decorated unit during World War II, Takeji Mori himself earned a Bronze Star; Victory, Occupation, and Presidential ribbons; two Good Conduct Medals, an Expert Marksman Badge; and the Combat Infantry Badge; and

Whereas, Takeji Mori was subsequently presented with a Commanding General's Medal for Excellence from General Castro at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; and

Whereas, the beloved husband of Katherine Kost since 1948, Takeji Mori is justifiably proud also to be known as the loving father of H. Karl Kost, George Frank Mori, Kurt Mori, Michael Mori, and Thomas Mori:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Takeji Mori as an Outstanding Missourian and to extend to him this legislative body's most heartfelt welcome to the state capitol on April 30, 2008, for special recognition as a guest in the House Chamber; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Outstanding Missourian Takeji Frank Mori of Rolla, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob May
District No. 149

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker